Tronox Stakeholders Meeting Summary

Thursday, October 26, 2017 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. BIA Southwest Regional Office, Conference Room 133 BIA 1 1001 Indian School Road NW, Albuquerque, NM

Overall Outcomes for this meeting:

- 1) Share updates on stakeholder FY18 projects and activities and get general agreement;
- 2) Continue our discussion on remedy options;
- 3) Share update on Uranium Commission and identify possibilities for AUM briefings; and
- 4) Get general agreement on risk evaluation factors which will help us identify next steps for the Tronox mines.

Representatives from the following agencies attended the meeting:

- Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency (NNEPA)
- Navajo Nation Abandoned Mine Lands (NNAML)
- Navajo Nation Department of Justice (NNDOJ)
- Navajo Nation Office of the President/Vice President (NNOPVP)
- New Mexico Environment Department (NMED)
- New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division (NMMMD)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regions 6 and 9 (U.S. EPA)

Participants: see sign-in sheet¹ (p. 14 – 15)

Summary

Approximately 40 people gathered on October 26, 2017 in Albuquerque for the Tronox Stakeholders Meeting. The focus was on forward planning, including identifying projects and key activities for each organization and area for FY18; continuing the discussion on remedy options; sharing updates on the Uranium Commission and Team AUM; and coming to agreement on risk evaluation factors.

Action Items Identified during the Meeting (NOTE: Items in red are ongoing from previous meetings)

What		Who	By When	Status
1.	Provide Freida White with the GIS shape files from the Ambrosia Lake Phase II Groundwater Assessment, which is not yet complete.	Kevin Shade	Ongoing	
2.	Provide updated information on Region 6 enforcement actions to NNDOJ when appropriate.	Ben Banipal	Ongoing	
3.	Send a file of Tronox settlement mines broken out by region clarifying which mines are in Region 6 versus Region 9 to all participants.	Chip Poalinelli	October 30, 2017	

¹ See Attachment 1 to this document.

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4.	Work with Dr. Benn to set up a meeting to discuss Region 6 projects and identify what additional information NNEPA would like from Region 6. Schedule the meeting for after Region 6 sends the Phase II GIS files to NNEPA. At the meeting, cover enforcement efforts being made in Region 6, including PRPs being targeted. Also, schedule a site visit for Dr. Benn.	Harrison Karr, Freida White, and Kevin Shade	November 15, 2017	
5.	Distribute future project information in advance so people can read, digest, and develop questions in preparation for the inperson meetings.	Chip Poalinelli and Kevin Shade	Ongoing	
6.	Add columns to the Tronox FY2018 Projects Table (slide #6) including: past expenditures and future projected expenditures, project duration, description of project, whether it is new or ongoing, amount requested, and cost details of each project.	Chip Poalinelli	Ongoing	
7.	Ensure quarterly report names are consistent with the Tronox Project Names. Ensure the quarterly and annual report summaries match the numbers on the Tronox FY2018 Projects Table (slide #6) so that the Navajo can compare expenditures.	Chip Poalinelli and Kevin Shade	Ongoing	
8.	Develop a way to share the project names, descriptions summarizing the projects, benefits, and costs (shareable information from the IGCEs) prior to the meetings.	Chip Poalinelli and Maria Alberty	Ongoing	
9.	Provide any additional comments or questions on the FY18 Proposed Projects (slide #6) to Chip.	All participants	November 15, 2017	
10.	Distribute the Accounting Strategy document to all participants.	Chip Poalinelli	November 3, 2017	
11.	Put site visits on the calendar distributed to Navajo Nation agencies prior to the weekly calls.	USEPA Region 9	Ongoing	
12.	Change the 6th bullet of slide #9 to the following: "Consideration of Upper Management, UC (advisory body), and community input and recommendations."	Chip Poalinelli	November 15, 2017	
13.	Delete the 2nd bullet (Institutional Controls) on slide #10, as well as any other instances of Institutional Controls throughout the remainder of the presentation. Send updated presentation	Chip Poalinelli and Kevin Shade	November 15, 2017	

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to Sarah Stokesbury for distribution with			
notes.			
14. Contact NMED regarding copper mines (i.e.,	Kevin Shade	November 3,	
options for backfilling mining shafts). Also,		2017	
speak to the New Mexico state geologist.			
15. Speak to Pam Travis about finding the Bevel	Chip Poalinelli	November 10,	
Amendment citation and send it to Sarah		2017	
for inclusion in the meeting summary.			
16. Change the title of slide #24 from "Creation	Chip Poalinelli	November 10,	
of a Licensed Repository" to "Creation of a		2017	
Permitted Repository."			
17. Schedule a technical presentation on one of	Chip Poalinelli	Ongoing	
the more feasible remedy alternatives at			
each of the upcoming Tronox meetings.	Funial - NA/Init -	Navarahan 20	
18. Create the verbiage for an additional factor	Freida White	November 30,	
for non-surface water sources: "Mobility,		2017	
Concentration, and Concentration of Contaminant in Sediment" or "Hyporheic			
Flow" and send it to Chip and Kevin.			
19. Revise the PowerPoint slides for the	Chip Poalinelli	November 15,	
Tronox_Prioritization 10-20-2017.pptx per	and Kevin Shade	2017	
the suggestions made in the Tronox Mine	and Revin Shade	2017	
Risk Evaluation Factors section of the			
meeting summary below.			
20. Send Dr. Benn the little financial booklet	Kevin Shade	November 15,	
and ask him to identify anything more that		2017	
he would like to see.			
21. Reschedule financial meeting and ensure	Chip Poalinelli	November 15,	
Dr. Benn can attend.	and Kevin Shade	2017	